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ARIZONA CATTLE ON FEED INVENTORY UP 35 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

On August 1, 2000, Arizona had 262,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 35 percent from a year ago, and down 4 percent from last month. Placements totaled 24,000 head, 4 percent more than in July 1999. During July, 35,000 head were marketed, an increase of 35 percent from last July.

On August 1, 2000, California had 420,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 12 percent from last August and up 2 percent from last month. Placements totaled 60,000 head, up 9 percent from July 1999. During July, 45,000 head were marketed, down 10 percent from last year.

Cattle on feed August 1, 2000, in the historic 7 States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 8.81 million, up 12 percent from the previous year and 14 percent above August 1, 1998. Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.67 million, 7 percent above 1999 but slightly below 1998. Marketings during July totaled 1.78 million, 2 percent below 1999 but 2 percent above 1998. July 2000 had one less slaughter day than July 1999, which limited slaughter and affected the year-to-year relationship for marketings. Other disappearance during July was 37,000 head, 14 percent below 1999 and 10 percent below 1998.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.18 million head on August 1, 2000. The inventory was 11 percent above August 1, 1999 and 13 percent above August 1, 1998. Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.92 million, 6 percent above 1999 but 1 percent below 1998. Net placements were 1.87 million. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 424,000, 600-699 pounds were 366,000, 700-799 pounds were 597,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 530,000. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 2.08 million, 2 percent below 1999 but 1 percent above 1998. July 2000 had one less slaughter day than July 1999, which limited slaughter and affected the year-toyear relationship for marketings. disappearance totaled 44,000 during July, 15 percent below 1999 and 12 percent below 1998.

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